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Word of God . . .

Archbishop Timothy Manning of Los Angeles concelebrates Mass at the National Congress of the Word of God in Washington's National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Behind the archbishop is Bishop Francis R. Shea of Evansville, Ind. Bishop John R. Quinn of Oklahoma City — Tulsa, formerly auxiliary in San Diego, closed the congress with another concelebrated Mass. — RNS photo

Word of God must be 'spoken' by life, not only preaching

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Word of God must not only be spoken through preaching, but it must be "spoken just as clearly by the life of the Christian community."

Father Thomas Barosse, CSC, of Holy Cross Novitiate, Bennington, Vt., told the National Congress of the Word of God here that human life itself is a "dialogue" with others. He was speaking to the 685 participants at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception during their two-day gathering.

"It is indispensable that the Word of the Gospel be spoken by the Church through her preachers," he said. "But it is imperative too that it be spoken just as clearly by the life of the Christian community."

THE HOLY CROSS priest said "our life, if it is to remain Christian and become more Christian, must be an ongoing dialogue with God. It must go on being shaped, corrected, channeled in the ways of God . . . by the experience he offers of himself and his world."

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, famed television preacher of two decades ago, told the assembled priests and bishops: "People are not listening to us because we are often preaching sociological drivel instead of Christ crucified. We have a cross-less Christ and a Christ-less cross."

A "cross-less Christ," he explained, "is the emasculated, weak defense of an economic and social Gospel, a Christ that never speaks of repentance."

THE PRELATE said that China and Russia, where "order, discipline and commitment to a common purpose" can be found, is an example of the "Christ-less cross."

"That is why our preaching fails," the archbishop said. "An effeminate Christ who never deals with sin but just 'supports' our position," is preached. "We use him rather than he using us."

The one message which "needs to be brought to all — faithful and faithless — is the message of

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S. D. Ecumenical Conference

Ecumenism 'misunderstood' -- speakers to explain goals in new program

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THE WORK OF THE San Diego County Ecumenical Conference will be brought home to the people this Sunday, Sept. 17.

On that day — Ecumenical Conference Awareness Sunday — the 117 Protestant and Catholic member churches will feature the conference at their services.

Msgr. John R. Portman, chairman of the Diocesan Ecumenical Commission and the conference's vice-president, said the special observance will give Catholics a chance to learn more about its work.

ECUMENISM is "widely misunderstood" and not really appreciated, he said. Diocesan commission members will speak on the conference at Masses. The talks will continue over several months until the 21 Catholic member churches and the non-members are visited.

"Commission members will give the people a first-hand report on the conference's work and the whole movement for Christian unity," said Msgr. Portman.

Aim of the observance "is to invite Christians to become involved in conference programs, whether their interest is families, aging, prisoners, youth, the poor, public media or ecumenism itself," said the Rev. Ralph Johnson, conference president.

THROUGH CONFERENCE activities, he said, "a major portion of the Christian community makes an impact that could not be achieved in denominational isolation."

An example of this takes place Sunday, Oct. 15, at First Baptist church, when the conference holds a training session for Key '73, national interdemoninational evangelistic effort, supported by Catholics.

The Rev. Melvin Harter, conference executive director, said some of the conference's current

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Boards of education workshop Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15-16, Santa Sophia Academy, Spring Valley.

Youth Night, Sea World, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, diocesan youth department.

Sacred Heart parish, Ocean Beach, second annual family outdoor Mass and picnic 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, Crown Point Shores, Mission Bay Park.

Christian Family Movement kickoff 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, La Mesa United Church of Christ.

Precious Blood parish, Banning, festival-barbecue noon-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, 157 W. Nicolet St.

West End Right to Life League 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20, Upland Library, 450 N. Euclid. Mrs. Leo Lincke of Whittier speaker.

St. Catherine Laboure parish, San Diego, annual carnival, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 7-8. Spaghetti dinner 2-7 p.m. Sunday.

Riverside Deanery, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, noon, Friday, Sept. 22, St. Vincent Ferrer Altar and Rosary Society host, Sun City.

Our Lady of Grace church, El Cajon, buys 2.6 acres of land north of parish baseball field for $10,000 from State of California at public auction.

Preschool workshop, USD, Serra Hall, Sept. 20-Oct. 25. Details: Mona Ohlen 273-0222.

Patton State Hospital, Mexican fiesta 1-5 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 24, 3102 East Highland, Patton, four miles east San Bernardino.

CCD high school workshop Saturday, Sept. 30, **Center for Christian Development,** 459 W. 17th St., San Bernardino.

K of C Balboa General Assembly - Fourth Degree 50th anniversary dinner and installation, Saturday, Sept. 16, El Cortez Hotel.

Court Mother of Divine Grace, CDA, 7:45 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, Ocean Beach Woman's clubhouse, 2160 Bacon St.

San Diego Deanery, DCCW, 11:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 18, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart parish hall, San Diego. Information: 286-0472, 263-5359.

"Insight," award-winning Paulist TV series aired in diocese KFCB (Oceanside) Sunday, 9:30 a.m.; KGTV (San Diego) Sunday, 9 a.m.; KMIR (Palm Springs) Sunday, 6 p.m.; KPLM (Palm Springs) Thursday, 11:30 p.m.; KVCR (San Bernardino) Saturday, 11:30 p.m.

High school CCD teacher training course, 10 sessions, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 7:30 - 10 p.m., USD Serra Hall; St. Mary's, Escondido; St. John's, Encinitas; Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon.

Grade school CCD teachers' course, 10 sessions, M, W, F, 7:30 - 10 p.m., Mission San Luis Rey; St. Martin's, La Mesa; St. Mary's, Escondido; St. Mary's, National City; St. Therese, Allied Gardens; St. Michael's, Paradise Hills; St. Kieran's, El Cajon. Thursdays, Holy Family, Linda Vista, 7 - 10 p.m.

University high school Mothers' Guild and Fathers' Club reception for Father William Cornelison, out-going principal, and Dennis Hart, acting principal, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, Linda Vista campus.

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, San Diego, dance, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, parish hall.

Court St. Colm Cille, CDA, rummage sale, 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 16, Holy Family parish hall, Linda Vista.

Austin Guild planning Christmas Fair benefit St. Augustine high school, San Diego. Volunteers and donations welcomed. Information: 286-2239, 286-2241, 463-6046.

African Folk Dancers 7:30 p.m. Wedenesday, Sept. 20, University of San Diego Camino hall theater, Alcala Park. Concert, Alcala Trio, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24.



MASS 'FULLY ALIVE' — Archbishop Humberto Medieros of Boston and other New England bishops concelebrate Mass at CCD regional meeting, University of Massachusetts in Amherst. Congress theme, "Man Fully Alive," was not misspelled, second "L" hidden. — RNS photo

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Cedar Community Center bazaar Saturday and Sunday Sept. 23-24, courtyard, 4th Ave. and Beech St., San Diego.

St. Mary's parish, Oceanside, Holy Name Society barbecue noon-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17.

St. Francis branch Italian Catholic Federation, Festa d'Italia 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24, Elks Hall, Vista.

Women's Retreat, Mission San Luis Rey Center, Sept. 29-Oct. 1, **not** Sept. 20-Oct. 1 as previously reported.

Cabrillo Council, K of C, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, 4425 Home Ave., San Diego.

St. Patrick's Archconfraternity card party 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, parish hall, San Diego.

Father Charles Dollen "Conversations in Catholicism" 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays starting Sept. 26, USD library.

St. Frances X. Cabrini parish, Crestline, received its 30-inch, 660-pound bell cast in France. Bell fund passes $2,365.

The *Southern Cross* urges parishes to send weekly bulletins for possible Around the diocese items or other news. Items sent separately for this column must reach this office by Monday noon the week of publication.

Prelate warns; close 'shrine' or lose sacraments

LA CROSSE, Wis. — Bishop Frederick W. Freking of La Crosse said that supporters of a controversial "shrine" to the Virgin Mary at Necedah, Wis., are not following his direction to close the place.

The Catholic bishop threatened "personal interdiction," or denial of the sacraments, to individuals who promote the shrine.

Bishop Freking warned a group called "For My God and My Country" last May to quit publicizing the shrine of 22 years as a place where the Virgin Mary allegedly appeared before a farm woman, Mrs. Mary Van Hoof.

SINCE 1950 thousands of people have made pilgrimages to the spot.

"Many people are being deceived that the revelations are from the Blessed Mother," Bishop Freking said. "This is nonsense."

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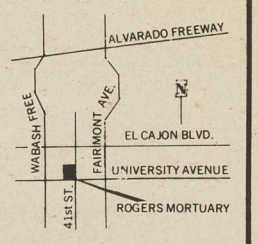


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Diocese to host meeting of U.S. vocations directors

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WHEN THE nation's directors of vocations meet in San Diego during the first week of October, they will discuss topics which range from seminarian maintenance to women in the ministry.

The Diocese of San Diego will be host to about 150 directors from other dioceses, meeting at the Hilton Inn for daily sessions October 2-5.

Father Neal Dolan, local director, is responsible, as vice-president of the national body, for coordinating the program.

SHORT presentations by a large number of speakers, followed by discussion periods, is the aim of the convention, said Father Dolan.

On the first morning alone, there will be 13 talks of four minutes each between 9 and 10:45 a.m. The remainder of the morning will be used for group discussions.

Several presentations will be made by priests or laymen from this diocese, including Father Henry F. Fawcett, director of the diaconate program; Dr. Gerald Sperrazzo, chairman of USD psychology department; Father Robert Buchanan, pre-seminary program, and Father Dolan.

LUTHERAN pastor Jack Lindquist, a faculty member of the USD religious studies department, will also speak. A video-taped presentation of the diocese's involvement in the permanent diaconate will be a feature of the last day.

Attending the conventions will be six bishops including Bishop Raymond Vonesh, chairman of the Catholic bishops' committee on vocations. The other bishops are members of the committee.



MISSION ACCOMPLISHED — First bus load of 75 children from Good Shepherd church, north San Diego, arrives safely at St. Didacus school, 15 miles away in Normal Heights. Their new parish has no Catholic school. Sister M. Cyril Guiney, St. Didacus principal, checks list of students with Mrs. Maureen Peters, who arranged the bussing, paid for by parents at $10 a month. — SC

Permanent diaconate

Candidates reflect wide range of skills

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THERE ARE now four permanent deacons in the diocese and 14 deacon candidates. Bishop Leo T. Maher recently approved seven new candidates, according to Father Henry F. Fawcett, diocesan director of the diaconate program.

"The new candidates once again reflect a wide range of backgrounds from which they are drawn," said Father Fawcett.

"One is the president of a corporation, another a surveyor. There is a printer, welfare worker, electrician and a public relations official."

THE PERMANENT married diaconate program takes three years to complete before ordination for most entrants. "This may be shorter or longer depending on the capability of the candidate and his rate of progress through the program of studies," said Father Fawcett.

The academic program includes university-level study in moral theology, Old and New Testament, liturgy, sacramental theology and homiletics. There are also retreat weekends, days of recollection and seminars through the year.

Under a schedule recently proposed to the bishop by the committee for the permanent diaconate it is expected that candidates will normally be tonsured after 18 months in the program.

MINOR ORDERS will come in the second year, with subdiaconate and diaconate in the third year — depending on academic and other progress.

Deacon Frank DeMoor of St. Sophia's parish, recently ordained here, represented the diocese in Chicago for the first regular meeting of national representation of deacons and deacon candidates.

There are 19 dioceses with diaconate programs which are being closely studied by the national bishops' committee concerned with vocations.

$600,000 backs Catholic social action services

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MSGR. MARK P. Doran, cited last week by organized labor for community services, directs the Church's social arm which reaches out to help people throughout the diocese.

He is executive director of Catholic Community Services, a 10-agency consortium, formed by Bishop Leo T. Maher to strengthen and coordinate the diocese's social work.

As CCS head, Msgr. Doran bears major responsibility for fulfilling the bishop's mandate. This year, it is costing CCS $619,525 to carry out this apostolate.

LARGEST source of income for CCS is Stewardship '72 — $250,000. Second largest is federal government grants — $155,650 — most of which goes for the NARA drug addict rehabilitation program.

These allotments serve as "seed money," attracting other gifts for the diversified CCS activities.

Other income came from the St. Vincent de Paul Society, $50,000; United Community Services of San Diego County, $45,811; St. Martin Fund, $43,000, and the U.S. bishops' Campaign for Human Development $24,875.

ANOTHER major item — about $139,000 — goes for work with the large number of Spanish-speaking people in the diocese.

Largest share of this total — $57,699 — is for the new Padre Hidalgo Center in East San Diego which provides legal counseling, referral and other services, as well as leadership and English-language training.

Also included are the related agencies — Office of Ethnic Affairs ($12,789) and Mexican-American Commission ($10,940), and the commission's San Bernardino Office ($43,088).

CATHOLIC Family Service, also headed by Msgr. Doran, received $96,927. With a professional staff of eight, it provides:

—family and personal counseling (137 new cases started so far this year);

—aid to unwed mothers (168 counselled or helped in various ways in 1972);

—emergency financial assistance, usually in the form of vouchers redeemed by CFS and — food donated by parishes.

ALSO UNDER CFS are the Pre-Cana and Cana programs for the engaged and married, usually attended by more than 1,200 couples annually, and marriage encounters to strengthen husband-wife relationships.

Related to CFS is Catholic Charities — alloted $54,731 — which focuses mainly on material and financial help to the poor, needy and in emergencies.

Activities of the youth department, with a $52,988 budget, include leadership training through Impact (217 youths and adults so far this year).

THE POPULAR Search for a Christian Maturity weekends have drawn 500 youths from San Diego and Imperial counties and 280 from San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

About $43,000 was earmarked for the apostolate to the aging, often stressed by Bishop Maher as of primary concern to the Church.

Base of services to senior citizens is the Cedar Community Center, occupying the courtyard floor of the CCS headquarters, 349 Cedar St.

SCORES OF elderly people receive various services daily — educational and recreational programs, nutrition aid, counselling and transportation.

In San Bernardino, Catholic Social Services, headed by Richard Moses, provides many of the same services as does CCS. Its budget this year is $32,700.

The recently opened, but expanding, CCS office in El Centro, covering Imperial Valley, was alloted $25,544.

CUF speaker

'Modern theologians ignore official Church teachings'

By Nicholas Biondo

UNORTHODOX Catholic doctrine has infiltrated the Church's theology, liturgy and catechetics, according to a Franciscan priest from Portland, Ore., who holds a Doctor of Sacred Theology degree.

Father Milan Mikulich, pastor of Portland's St. Brigitta's church, charged this "unorthodox doctrine has deviated much from the doctrine given to us by Christ through the magisterium (teaching authority) of the Church."

The priest spoke at Holy Spirit church, San Diego, sponsored by St. Michael's chapter of Catholics United for the Faith.

HE CLAIMED, in an interview, that unorthodox doctrine is promoted by "modern theologians who are trying to make themselves the Church's magisterium by ignoring the official teachings of the Church.

"They are trying to influence our catechists and liturgists, both in Europe and this country. They don't have to be named, the liberal theologians are known by their own writings."

Referring to religious texts used in Catholic schools and CCD programs, Father Mikulich charged "they are defective and inadequate for omitting doctrines students should learn.

"SOME OF THE doctrines are presented in a confused and ambiguous way so children and teachers could interpret them in their own way, not as teachings of the Church." Asked if he was referring specifically to religious text books used in the diocese, Father Mikulich said:

"I'm not against any specific book, but against any religious text that misrepresents Church doctrine. I'm not advocating a return to the old **Baltimore Catechism,** but urge improved methods as long as orthodox doctrine is presented."

NOTING THAT religious texts have bishops' approval, Father Mikulich said this is based on theologians' recommendations.

"Bishops do not always know first hand what they're approving. They don't have time to read everything. Bishops should surround themselves with theologians they can trust with the Church's orthodox doctrine."

Father Mikulich emphasized he was not advocating a "return" to pre-Vatican II. The Second Ecumenical Council, he said, did not bring about new doctrines, but applied the Church's doctrines to modern times.

"I'M FOR THE teachings of Vatican II," he added, "but according to the mind of the Church as shown in its documents and as interpreted by the head of the Church and not by modern theologians."

Father Mikulich said that at the request of Archbishop Robert Dwyer of Portland he wrote a commentary on the "Basic Doctrines for Catholic Education" adopted by the U.S. bishops in Atlanta, Ga.



WALK - DON'T WALK — University high school students have a safe way to cross busy Linda Vista road to reach parking lot and bus stop. New temporary traffic signal was installed several months ahead of schedule after San Diego Mayor Pete Wilson followed up an appeal from diocesan officials. — SC photo

A time to keep
by Michael Newman

No right to life?

By all means let us decry the dastardly outrages committed in the name of Palestinian freedom over recent years, culminating in the murder of Israeli athletes. And let us congratulate ourselves on our "growth" by ceasing that ancient custom of putting murderers to death. Yet we are all participants in the daily rite of putting children to death before they have a chance to speak for themselves.

The figures coming from the abortion mills of California and New York are surely more horrifying than anything the Palestinians have yet undertaken. For every live 1,000 births in New York City these days, there are 517 abortions. In the whole country last year we killed a million unborn children and denied them the right to live.

Don't let us beguile ourselves and salve our consciences by saying this is happening to fetuses, or "growths.". It is happening in many cases with children already old enough in their mother's womb to live a separate life before they are given that deadly dose of saline solution which effectively kills them. Cases are recorded of children being aborted live and continuing to live.

Abortion is like shutting the door to the starving masses outside while we feed ourselves to obesity inside. But who decides who should remain outside? Aren't we all playing God?

Sometimes our barbarism today is not so far removed from the kind of destruction humans practiced on each other as recorded in the books of Kings.

Death and justice

Justice, as we all learned, must be done, but equally important, it must be seen to be done. The lengthy recess of the U.S. Supreme Court each year and the generally overcrowded judicial calendar everywhere means that less and less do we see justice done because our memories are short.

The interminable time it takes for cases to reach conclusion means that many almost fall into oblivion before they reach finality. Perhaps the members of the Supreme Court could take something less in the way of a vacation — like the rest of us — and help move things along faster.

I cannot believe these men are so overworked that they need July, August and September for recuperation. Even the Pope, with all his tremendous cares, takes a shorter (and working) vacation.

Odd appointment

The chairman of a parish council committee for publicity called here to find out about getting news into the **Southern Cross.** Then he admitted he had never read the paper and did not even know how frequently it is published.

Yet he is in charge of parish publicity.

Preserve our coast

I have lived on the East Coast of the United States, where access to beaches is very difficult owing to the encroachment of private ownership. I have visited beaches from the French and Italian Riviera to the south of South Africa, where the general public's interest is largely maintained. I have lived in Britain where no part of the coast may be reserved or bought from the common man.

Here in California there is danger that access to beaches everywhere may become as restricted as it is, for instance, in parts of San Clemente, and La Jolla or Del Mar, where small apertures in private ownership allow very limited access and virtually no parking. Therefore Proposition 20, the coastal initiative bears close scrutiny. The coast is a public resource which should be preserved for the public — with suitable access and availability.

It's the truth

As recorded in the official **Liturgical Bulletin,** these stories are true: Bride and groom selected music for their wedding. For the offertory they chose (and it was sung): "What kind of fool am I?"

Then there was the bride's mother who asked for a special piece as she proceeded up the aisle. Her choice: "The old gray mare, she ain't what she used to be."

They happened at ceremonies in this diocese.

Crossing the Delaware

Parishioners in Philadelphia are being encouraged to follow historical precedent and cross the Delaware river — for Saturday evening Mass. Attendance at Saturday evening Mass does not satisfy Mass obligation in the Philadelphia archdiocese. But in Camden, N.J., across the river, it is another diocese and is permitted.

Camden's Immaculate Conception Cathedral attracted Philadelphia churchgoers with an ad in Philadelphia newspapers, encouraging them to cross the river for Mass. Not to be outdone, the Philadelphia archdiocesen weekly ran a story headlined "If you're thinking of cathedrals why not try Philadelphia?"

Perhaps I am losing my sense of humor but the whole things seems more concerned with dollars in collections than with the spirit of Christian worship.

Short thoughts

How meaningless is George Meany's remark that he is not going to vote for either of the main presidential candidates, in the pattern of so much that has been lacking in his leadership lately . . . what a pity Jerry Lewis works so hard for muscular dystrophy while publicly showing himself for 20 hours on television heading for possible lung cancer with his smoking.

Palm Springs pollution from Los Angeles shows one more area of this diocese suffering from smog from the great metropolitan area to our north and west over which we should make our views known to the culprits . . . it's surely an ill wind blowing nobody any good.

ABC did a powerfully good job televising the Olympic Games, marred only by the sour notes of Howard Cosell and his public pillory of the two athletes and coach who missed sprint heats . . . anchorman Chris Schenkel deserves particular commendation for remaining cool and courteous throughout . . . Nationalism grows apace in Olympics, as do politics, unfortunately.

Editorial

We're no better

There is a lesson for all of us in the events of recent times which culminated in the terrorist murder of Jewish athletes. Because we are all to blame.

Terrorism does not exist outside of its context. The world we have created around ourselves is one of hatred and demonstrations of hate.

We have brought into local politics the art of political assassination and perfected it through a media-satiated society. Should we be surprised if there are some among us who cannot differentiate between verbal assassination and literal deadly assassination?

Is there very much difference between vicious verbal slander and Oswald's gun?

How many times this week have we thought of "getting even" with someone? How many times have we allowed our religious or secular arrogance to mark somebody as a target for our venom?

The fifth commandment simply says we must not kill. The grenades and guns of a few desperate and probably deranged assassins are not so far removed from the mental grenades and guns we hurl daily, Christians or not.

Nada mejores somos

Hay una lección para todos nosotros en los acontecimientos de última hora, que culminaron con el asesinato terrorista de los atletas judíos. Porque todos tenemos de qué culparnos.

El terrorismo no existiría sin su propio contexto. El mundo que hemos creado en torno nuestro es de hostilidad, y amasado con demostraciones de odio.

Hemos introducido en la vida pública local el arte del asesinato político, y lo hemos perfeccionado gracias a una sociedad saturada de medios de propaganda. Deberíamos sorprendernos luego, si hay alguien de nosotros que no sea capaz de distinguir entre el asesinato verbal y el estrictamente físico?

Hay acaso diferencia muy grande entre la pérfida calumnia verbal y el fusil de Oswald?

Cuántas veces en esta semana hemos pensado tomar venganza contra alguno? Cuántas veces hemos permitido a nuestro orgullo religioso o seglar, escoger a alguien como blanco de nuestra ponzoña?

El quinto mandamiento dice simplemente que no debemos matar. Las granadas y pistolas de unos pocos asesinos desesperados y probablemente desequilibrados, no están muy lejos de las granadas y fusiles mentales que disparamos a diario, seámos Católicos o no.

One mind ~~bible~~ insight

In this modern world of collective activity meetings are a constant annoyance. And too often these gatherings are merely an occasion for people to work out their frustrations by letting off steam. This waste is a real shame for Jesus has left such a beautiful promise for people who gather together in his name: "Again I tell you, if two of you join your voices on earth to pray for anything whatever, it shall be granted you by my Father in heaven." (Matthew 18:19)

Perhaps our problem is that even in the Church people gather together to express their power and make a name for themselves, as in the case of Joseph and Azariah at the time of the Maccabbees:

"Joseph . . . and Azariah, the leaders of the army, heard about the brave deeds and the fighting that they were doing. They said, 'Let us also make a name for ourselves by going out and fighting against the Gentiles . . .' They gave orders to the men . . . and marched . . . But Gorgias and his men came out of the city to meet them . . . Joseph and Azariah were beaten . . . and about two thousand Israelites fell that day." (1 Maccabees 5:56+)

How different the conduct of the Maccabbee brothers who, when confronted by a far superior enemy assembled the people "to prepare for battle and to pray and implore mercy and compassion." (1 Maccabees 3:44) How different also was the result, "The battle was joined and the Gentiles were defeated and fled toward the plain." (1 Maccabees 4:14)

Jesus put it quite clearly: "Live on in me, as I do in you. No more than a branch can bear fruit of itself apart from the vine, can you bear fruit apart from me." (John 15:4)

Father Jerome Bevilacqua, OSA

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Opinion Forum

'Hill" advocate is ignoring bishop

It was interesting to see in the letter Mrs. Harriman wrote (SC Sept. 7) condemning your article on the Hill of Hope fantasies, that she completely ignored the fact that Bishop Maher has condemned the project.

I think you performed a real public service in giving so much detail so that we could judge for ourselves what is being perpetrated in the name of St. Joseph — and even God Himself — on that hillside.

I wonder if those same people would go all that way to a church if it was built so far from where they live? In church the miracle of the Mass is better than the so-called miracle of the Hill of Hope.

Bernard Stanton
San Diego

Objects to tone of St. Joseph story

I would like to offer my comments relative to the article describing St. Joseph's "Hill of Hope." (SC Aug. 24)

The article is strictly editorial in my viewpoint, and not just reportorial. When such an editorial article is written, it is accepted practice to identify the writer.

The writer is usually someone of prominence with qualifications to make specific criticisms regarding the subject.

It is incredible that in this age of over-protecting the innocent (and the guilty), the **Southern Cross** has chosen to dictatorially denounce the Hill of Hope movement as a fraud. I am sure that the Black Panthers would receive better publicity from the **Southern Cross.**

Your reporter's constant references to "security guards," naive and simplistic locutions, evasion and suspicion in financial affairs — all are innuendoes which lead the reader to believe that the movement is fraudulent.

This criticism means zero in terms of credulity. Until irresponsibility or fraud is proven, I cannot understand how an article of this type can be printed, especially in a Catholic newspaper.

Walter A. Stehle
San Diego

(Objectivity is in the mind of the beholder. Nothing ever written can be entirely objective since any selection of facts or excerpts must be subjective. The number of commendations received on the article's objectivity in no way bear out your own subjective judgment on it. The term "fraud" or "fraudulent" was not used in the article but does appear in Bishop Maher's statement in which he advised people to give neither credence nor financial support to the movement. As for anonymity of a reporter, the greatest newspaper in the world, the **London Times,** *built its reputation on anonymous reporters whose names were never published. By-lines add nothing to qualifications, but they help the ego. — Ed.)*

Klug 'locutions' impress reader

In regard to the article on the "Hill of Hope:" I had the privilege of hearing Mrs. Frances Klug, at the Holy Spirit church hall a few weeks ago, and I was much impressed that she seemed most sincere in the "locutions" which she gave.

I, for one, believe she is being unjustly "persecuted." I think she should be given a chance to prove herself over a period of time, before she is criticized.

So many good things, that would have benefitted mankind, if people — principally those in authority — had taken the time and trouble to analyze and listen to "God's warnings to him."

Mrs. Jessie Zientek
San Diego

(The fact that a meeting was held at Holy Spirit church hall does not indicate Church support. The pastor was not aware of the nature of the meeting when he allowed the hall to be used. — Ed)

Elks ruling is private matter

I am writing in reference to a "News in short" item (Aug. 17) which referred to the Elks club controversy.

I am afraid Father Eugene J. Boyle does not have a firm platform under his feet when he said: "priest members of the Elks fraternal order should resign because of 'whites only' policy."

As far as I know, the Elks are a private, secular body and therefore they have a right, however dubious, to elect the members they wish. And his expression "should."

Let's not get "should-y."

Norah Woodward
La Jolla

Political bias in church prayer

Recently you referred to political bias and how careful you have to be at election time. I called my parish and asked why we prayed for the success of the Republican Convention but had not prayed for the Democratic Convention previously.

I was told my facts were wrong and that I had misquoted the prayer petition.

I do not think I was mistaken. I only hope that we will not see political bias creep into our churches and our prayers.

Mrs. R.T.
Parish withheld

Like to write?

Have you ever disagreed with or questioned a story or letter in the **Southern Cross?** Or, have you ever just felt good because of something you read in the paper? Something you learned?

Why not write us about it? Share your views with others. But, please, not more than 200 words. Send them to: Opinion Forum, Southern Cross, P.O. Box 81869, San Diego 92138.

Catholics missing chances for action

News items in the **Southern Cross** indicate we should be taking more action.

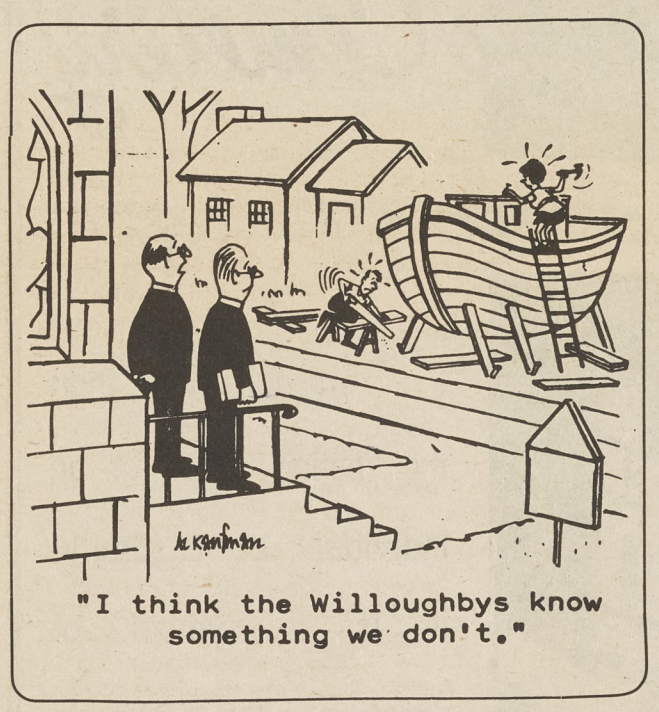
For instance in the Aug. 10 issue the item on the Louisiana legislature trying to get an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to restore voluntary prayer in all American schools seems worthy of a note of appreciation.

In the same issue, page 11, "Right to life" shows another opportunity for good legislation that needs the support of millions of messages to our legislators in Washington.

A three-minute comment about such new opportunities in Sunday homilies for a month could produce needed support for the few legislators who dare to act. A few lines in parish bulletins could be reminders.

We have missed many previous opportunities to try to change policies. We need to use them as they appear.

Karl Herrman
San Diego



30 years ago . . .

From **The Southern Cross,** Sept. 11, 1942—Polish Catholic Press Agency reports in London the killing of three more priests in Poland and the imprisonment of Cracow Seminary's rector in Nazi concentration camp.

—About 175,000 people jam Chicago's Soldier Field for Holy Name Society's Holy Hour rally to pray for lasting peace and the safe return of American servicemen from overseas.

—St. Joseph's Commercial School, diocesan one-year business school for high school graduates, moves to 1524 Fourth Ave., San Diego headquarters for chancery, Catholic cemeteries and **The Southern Cross.**

—Bishop Charles Buddy holds Riverside conference for 27 military and civilian chaplains serving armed forces in San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

25 years ago . . .

From **The Southern Cross,** Sept. 12, 1947—Pope Pius XII tells 200,000 men of Italian Catholic Action "the time for reflection and planning is past... now is the time for action," and urges them to cooperate with others outside the Church.

—Speakers at Mission Week in Louvain, Belgium, warn that missionary work faces major obstacles of mounting nationalism and spread of Communism.

—Vatican Choir of 54 voices makes first appearance outside Vatican City in San Diego concert before visiting Hollywood and San Francisco.

—St. Augustine high school opens 25th year with expanded facilities and new principal—Father John L. Gallagher, OSA, from Ojai, Calif.

—Work of Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Victory in diocese featured by order's offical publication, **The Missionary Catechist,** in September 1947 issue.

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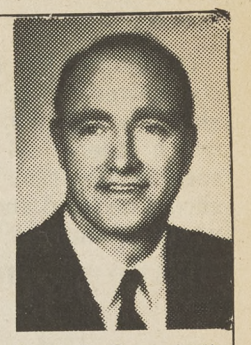
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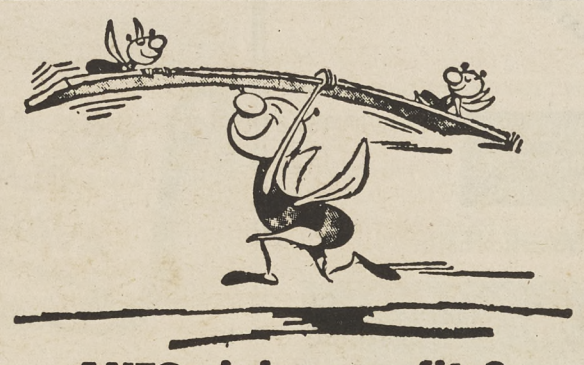
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As women will . . .
by Enid Lanyon

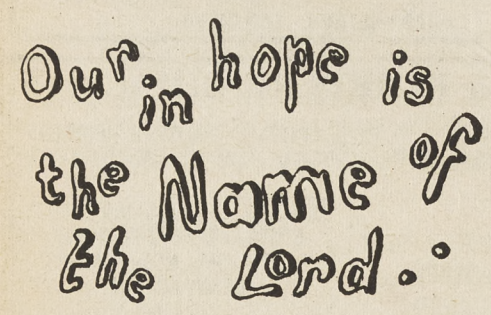
Not by any other name

AS WOMEN WILL, we were talking . . . about the little things that make so much difference in our lives, specifically how we react to the names we are called.

We were not referring to "name-calling" in the sense of abuse, but the way we are identified by the people with whom we live our lives.

"I get so tired of always being someone's something," one friend remarked. "When I was young I was always someone's daughter, or sister, or relative. After I married I was someone's mother, someone's wife or someone's mistress." She was speaking, she hastily explained, of servants not lovers!

SOMEONE ELSE complained that her husband never called her by name. She was so accustomed to identification as "wife," "dear," or "old girl," that on the rare occasion he did use her name, she found herself too confused to respond.



Perhaps the sometimes inexplicable extra-marital affair of an apparently happily married matron might arise from simple gratitude and delight in finding someone to whom she is a person in her own right and to whom the expression of her name is a pleasure!

Our names are very much a part of our selves. It is important that we should be called by a name we like and which others feel expresses our personality. Or that the name we bear should be liked and respected by those whose opinion we value.

WE DO ANOTHER a favor by using his name frequently. It is a sign of friendship and intimacy. By allowing others to use our own name we admit them into a relatively exclusive circle of ease and acceptance.

In some instances, as with employer and employee, we tacitly establish a specific relationship by our form of personal address. The employer reaffirms his authoritative position by reserving the formal "Mr." prefix for himself, while addressing his underlings on a first name basis.

Businesses which operate on a general first name principle usually give the impression of looser organization or consensus authority. It may not work that way in practice, but, automatically, attitudes are affected and a kind of familiarity evolves.

ADDRESSING someone by his "given" name is not only an assurance that "I know you. I recognize you for a person different from others. I remember your name because I remember you. I am impressed by you."

We are also offering him verification of his personality, reflecting an image of the kind of person he is. We can only know who we are by "sounding" off other people. Without their specific identification, how can we be sure they are aware of who we are?

It is interesting that the Jews in the Old Testament would not use God's name. For them the word brought the presence and no man could stand in God's presence. To speak God's name was to enter into an intimacy which no earthbound man could endure.

NAMES WERE of such significance that God himself directed their bestowal. "His name shall be Jesus." "You shall henceforth be called Abraham." "Your wife shall be Sarah." "You shall call him John."

Why did it matter? The word really does influence. It really does become flesh. So when we meet, whoever we are, please call me by my name — so that I shall know who I am and that you care who I am.



WATCH THY PARKING — This warning to non-churchgoers stands outside the Downtown Baptist church, Alexandria, Va. — RNS photo

School aid 'not only a Catholic issue'

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Cardinal Terence Cooke of New York told a Congressional committee that aid for parents of nonpublic school children "is not only a Catholic issue."

"Catholic, Protestant and Jewish parents who seek this aid will continue to carry a heavy burden to support the education they choose," he said.

THE CARDINAL testified as a representative of the U.S. Catholic Conference before the House Ways and Means Committee.

He supported a tax credit bill permitting parents of nonpublic school pupils to deduct tuition up to $200 a child from their annual federal returns.

Cardinal Cooke was believed to be the first cardinal to testify before a Congressional committee on school aid legislation.

"WE FEEL that a tax credit for tuition paid would be an assurance to parents . . . that their basic freedom to choose the education of their youngsters will be preserved," he stressed.

Religious News Service

Worker movement ruled tax exempt

NEW YORK (RNS) — The Catholic Worker Movement, headed by 74-year-old Dorothy Day, was ruled a "charity" and will not have to pay a $296,359 tax bill even if the movement never filed for tax exempt.

Miss Day said she will not file as a "matter of principle" because, she claims, cooperating with the government would place her pacifist organization in the position of supporting the Vietnam war.



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Talking Point

Why I am a priest

By Father Joseph McCarthy*

WALK SOFT, tread gently
Oh men coming in
The ground on which you stand is holy ground..
This is the house of mysteries, built by men
Things happen here that are never seen
Words are said that are never heard
A million saints of nameless faces
Kneel each day before this Mighty Bread
Where human knees wear out the pews of God.

Faces buried in their hands
Their ears listening to the ground of being
All lost—all found
In the sights and sounds of another world
Muttering words not meant for human listening.
Each one stutters out to God
Their detailed situation
Then quietly listen for that soft reply that is never said
Finishing thus their unavailing prayers
They bless themselves
Genuflect and walk away
Convinced that in the end everything will be okay.

AT THIS CROSSROADS of eternity and time
Through a glass darkly
They see Him.
Him in whom they live, move, and have their being
Their Eucharist.
This is why I am and shall remain a priest.

He who cried when a young man died
He who winced when he saw the blind
He who felt the hunger of the crowd

He is my type of priest and
I want so bad to be his kind of man

A celibate I am who has walked the woods beside the lake
To bring to man echoes of love
I have heard in loneliness.

AS JESUS CHRIST came from his solitude
on the hills
To speak the clue of life in the common market of ideas
In His followers I believe,
and So I am
And So I will remain a priest.

God's troubleshooter I am to dire distress,
My days are spent in the thick of humanness
Marcel Cote—dead of cancer at 33
Dammit, but it is the will of God
The doctor left me with his wife,
Too young to be a widow
She prayed, she cried,
She believed, I helped her unbelief.
Agony is lessened if borne with some hope
The tragedy was not that their love was broken,
But nothing would ever be the same again.
There is anger in our faith
There is wrath against our God
At the senseless suffering of mankind
But still I am and shall remain a priest.

GENE AND ALICE live together, separately
Blessed by God with lovely children three.
They haven't shared their marriage bed
for many years
When love grows cold, hate creeps in to fill the void
Nature abhors a vacuum.
Visitor to their home
One wonders what scars their children bear
Home of hate and hurt
Hatch the desperate child
As minister to their plight
Because of our long, long talks through late, late nights
Love again is coming back into their lives—
Thus I am and shall remain a priest.

Paul Verino, startled at the birth of his first child,
Wanted confession and communion right away
Who would think a tot so small
Would bring a tough man to his knees?

Nancy has cancer, another countdown has begun
The doctors operated and sewed her up again
She has about a month to go

THERE IS NO PLACE in Church for men
Who cannot stand shrill of human pain
The tears of wretched folks too crushed to live
People must hear the words of comfort spoken
Though they will never, never understand

People are my source of strenth
The reason I am, and shall remain a priest.

Then comes the wedding of the year
Emily Post is thoroughly checked
Everything is set precisely to impress the guests
Marriage, life, and God Himself take second place within this show
Even I am told what I must do
"Jesus give me patience," I pray beneath my breath
The runner is down, the organ roars
"Here comes the bride"
But alas, alas the village nut
Walks down the aisle
In shabby coat and tennis shoes
Blissfully unaware that She is out of place

YOUNG RONNIE Rosa is an altar boy
Cherub in the Church, but devil on the street
The terror of the neighborhood, his specialty is toppling over garbage cans
It is with smothered smile his confidence
I greet
When he blurts out his secret joy
He wants to be a priest
because of me
Priests have the best of both worlds they say
All this and hell too.
But seriously though!
Ronnie Rosa is too young to know,

So we will wait and see.

At Mass each day all human life is there
To talk to bread and genuflect to wine
Our madness may indeed be sanity side-tracking all Appearances
In deepest touch with deep down reality
To lift up humble bread to Him
And through it bring Him down to men.

I PLACE THE TINY host between their praying lips
With my self conscious finger tips
Terrifying this frightening creed
Mad in madness to be believed
For such is the fondness of God's love
To meet with man at man's command
Not to humble bread we pray
Nor do we genuflect to wine
No! No! much more than this.

Candles humbly flicker
There is a presence Here that is Divine
Thus I am and shall remain a priest.

Bless me Father for I have sinned
Lonely sinners come to tell their lonely sins
With stuttering breath in anxious tones
They breathe the secret conflicts of their souls
The priest is x-ray technician
in this human lab
Treading gingerly through the under world of man
Private witness to shady waywardness.

The sacrament of these secret meetings
Always leaves me a richer man.
Thus I am and shall remain a priest

BETTY MULVANEY, quiet and placid wife
Produces her first—a limp, cold stillborn child
All of a mother's knitting, planning, care
went unrewarded
Betty, lying there
Thought only of unbegotten pride
Her baby dead, her hopes unrealized.
She cries
And helpless there she lies
I hold her hand and say I know
But how do you phrase the claim
The Lord gave, the Lord took away
Praised be His Name
Priest I am, the understudy of an absent Star
Standing in for Him who is everywhere
But is nowhere to be found.

Mrs. Beam, lonely in her lonely room
Plays with dolls all day
When I came in and out to check her
on my way
She thinks I am her son
Who died in Normandy
I play the game to ease the pain
Of mad human mystery.

NO ONE CARES at all for her
When this forked creature bent and broken
By diminished years
Limps lamely down the street
Divine rights keeps the mayor
From putting her to sleep
Like dogs or cats or any aged pets.

Oh holy people
You sacred servants of the world
Avoid the long said sayings of all the saints
The old cliches, "It is the will of God."
Don't close your eyes upon unseemly sights

Too many are dying for a spoon of water
In their abandoned rooms.

Thus I am and shall remain a priest.

YOUTH
Perhaps the hardest cross of all to bear
Is the wall between the altar and the pew.
The young, they stay away in droves,
Is the Church to blame?
What is it they want we do not have?
We sense our own irrelevance
And smell our own decay.

Yes, there is a different kind of cat (these days)
Standing at the back of Church.
And it takes a new kind of sermon
To make him Purr.
I do not grudge them Lord their own demands.
Surely be to God, Jesus Christ, Himself
Is not divorced from what they value most.
No, they made him a superstar
And they tell me His messenger
I have lost the message.

O God, give me the wit to scratch
Where these people itch
Talking God to one another
Will never be the same
Since the gang from Sesame Street came.

IF THE KINGDOM of God is within you, are
you filled with the breadth and the depth
of Him in whom you live and move and have your being?

One last word, before you offer yourselves
at the altar, go first and be reconciled
with your parents. Then come and we shall
all celebrate together. For peace is no empty sign of your two front fingers, but
a way of life
in which you live for others.
Thus I am and shall remain your priest.

Night has come
My story is told
I need some sleep to wake in time
For morning Mass
Outside the beat of unrelenting rain
Falls hard upon the pavement
Where two men remain,
outside the bar

THEY PUSH AND shove each other along
Who said they are out of tune,
Singing Silent Night in June.

On gleaming streets,
Each neon light reflects
The color of its careless glare
A neon girl appears from nowhere.
She hustles men,
her job is done.
She has made her pay,
She will sleep, til men
are ready for her marketing again.
Such is the paradox of my funny lot
Chaplain to a misbegotten world
God begot.

All the things my days have known,
I have written down.
I may have overtold the story of the meaning of my life,
But I could not say it any other way,
Nor underscore the point
That I need people more than they need me.
To help another in the dark is in me as a want,
And so I go to bed alone.
A priest I am; a priest I will always be.
Humanity, many thanks to thee.

***Father McCarthy is a priest of the Bridgeport, Conn., diocese and is consultant for film and broadcasting to the United States Catholic Conference. This is extracted from his full-length poem, available in booklet form.**

Answer Please!

Question:

Can you explain the reasons under which a priest may refuse to baptize a child whose parents were not married in the Catholic Church and who are "nominal" Catholics?

In June, 1970, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith issued certain directives regarding the baptism of infants whose parents do not actually practice the faith.

According to the congregation, an infant in such a situation may be baptized if the parents manifest sufficient guarantees that they will raise the child in the faith.

If they do not do so, there are two alternatives: the child can be enrolled as a member of the parish with a view to later baptism, or the baptism can be postponed until the parents change their ways.

One may immediately protest that the child should not be punished because of the parents. But by the same token baptism - granted it signifies the bestowal of grace - as such does no subjective good for a person unless at some time in his life he ratifies what was done to and for him.

That is why it is quite important that there be some well-founded assurance that the child will be raised in such an atmosphere that he will be able one day to say "yes" to his baptism.

Question:

When Our Lady was told that she was to be the mother of Christ, she said: "My soul magnifies the Lord." I say this is actually an old Jewish psalm but my friend says it originated with Mary in that moment. Which of us is correct?

According to **The Jerome Biblical Commentary**, the "Magnificat" has been put together from many Old Testament phrases and "such a heavy use of scriptural allusions has produced a ponderous piece of poetry with little originality or imagination." Moreover, some of the ancient manuscripts indicate that the words were uttered by Elizabeth, not Mary!

At any rate, the point is this: the sentiments expressed were certainly those of both women even though the verbal formulation may have been done by someone else.

Father Warren Rouse, OFM

Something new in Pre-Cana program

Southern Cross Reporter

SOMETHING new — voluntary psychological testing — has been added to the diocesan Pre-Cana program for engaged couples.

Father Edward Brockhaus, diocesan Cana director, said couples "may take the psychological test and have results interpreted by a clinical psychologist at Catholic Family Service in San Diego and San Bernardino.

THE TESTING, he said, will give them a "mature look at their relationship" and "familiarize them with a marriage counselling agency to which they could return if they experience problems later in married life."

So far this year more than 750 couples have participated in Pre-Cana programs, Father Brockhaus said, and at least 400 more are expected to take part in the year's remaining sessions.

THE FOUR meetings feature talks by a psychiatrist or psychologist, a physician, a priest and a married couple, each followed by dialogue.

Circus in San Diego

Family entertainment in San Diego this week – Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus, Sports Arena. Performances: 4:15 and 8:15 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 11 a.m., 3 and 8:15 p.m. Saturday; 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

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Opportunity to serve

IGM celebrates four years

By Alicia Bellantoni
Parishioner,
St. Joseph's Cathedral

THE INFORMATION Group Movement celebrates its fourth anniversary this month, having served in the diocese since 1968.

IGM is composed of Catholic lay men and women who want to learn more about their faith and share basic information with interested inquirers.

The movement was started, and is being expanded, by Father John E. Odou. A Jesuit of the California province, he was assigned full-time to the development of this movement.

IGM IS active in the parishes of St. Joseph's Cathedral; Our Lady of Grace; St. John the Evangelist; Mary, Star of the Sea, La Jolla; Sacred Heart, Ocean Beach; St. Michael's, Poway; St. Mary's, Escondido, St. John's, Encinitas, and has reached into areas of San Bernardino county.

IGM offers members an opportunity to serve God by allowing them to give to others information about the Catholic faith through a course of instruction studied by the members themselves.

Lessons are given without any obligation, either through private instruction — a series of meetings held in the home, composed of only one member and one inquirer, or by way of an IGM forum — a series of meetings involving two IGM members and four to six inquirers, also in the home.

INFORMATION Group Movement in San Diego County alone has given instructions to 550 persons. The deep personal satisfaction in helping to bring such an inquirer into a closer interaction with God, by being a direct instrument of the Holy Spirit, is truly indescribable.

Also, although IGM has no explicit goal of "making converts" to Catholicism, a large fraction of the inquirers have decided to join the Catholic Church, and some IGM members have been sponsors at baptism many times over.

Most of these veteran sponsors are members who initially were completely convinced that they would never want to "teach" anyone anything — ever — about religion; then they decided to try serving God in this way.

TO REITERATE Father Odou's words, "We are not trained teachers. We believe that good Catholics, with the help of the guiding book and the Holy Spirit, can inform others about the Catholic beliefs.

"In this way we can relieve the priests of some of their burden of work and at the same time fulfill the directive from Vatican II for more participation in the apostolate of the Church.

"Priests who have the program in operation are pleased with the enthusiasm of the laity and the degree of generosity they show in giving their time to this work."

THE STRUCTURE of the IGM program consists of a minimum of 10 men and 10 women in a parish group. Weekly meetings are held, with study of the organization, its by-laws, and presentations from doctrinal texts; followed by discussion.

It gives members an opportunity to come into contact and develop lasting friendships with fellow parishioners who share the same apostolic and zealous spirit. In other words, it gives new meaning and vitality to the whole parish community.

TO CELEBRATE its fourth anniversary in a festive mood, an area-wide social, hosted by St. Michael's IGM, will be held October 21. Further information may be obtained from St. Michael's church, Poway or St. Joseph's Cathedral.

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work includes planning a cooperative ministry and joint social services at Rancho San Diego, as a pilot project for new communities.

OTHER PLANNING, in San Diego's growing Mira Mesa area, calls for a United Church of Mira Mesa organized by United Presbyterian and United Church of Christ groups.

Another emphasis this year, said Rev. Harter, is giving church members a better understanding of the Eucharist as interpreted by Catholic and Protestant denominations.

In this election year, he continued, the conference is acting on social issues of concern to churches, such as reinstitution of capital punishment (Proposition 17 on November ballot), protection of open spaces and anti-pollution.

IT SPONSORS a Sunday radio program "Religion in the News," (KFMB, 7:15 a.m.) and a daily TV show "House of Happiness" (Channel 10, 6:55 a.m.). It promotes Living Room dialogues, the Christian Family Movement, Days of Renewal at Catholic and Protestant churches, benefit theater and film parties.

The conference co-sponsors an annual interreligious institute usually held on the University of San Diego campus. It recently conducted a survey of member churches on their mixed-marriage policies — giving the Catholic position and that of various Protestant denominations.

It formed an Interfaith Task Force as the religious community's response to the Republican National Convention when it was scheduled in San Diego.

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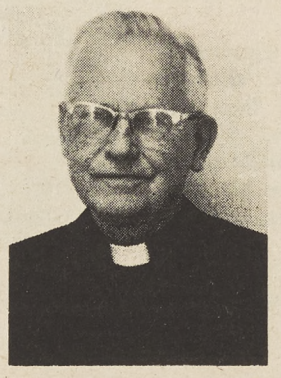
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Decade takes toll in private schools

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A federal government report showed enrollment in the nation's private schools decreased 8.1 per cent during 1961-1971, with the bulk of the decline in Catholic elementary and secondary schools.

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare said Catholic school enrollment dropped 17 per cent during the 10-year period.

Other private and church-related schools increased by 66 per cent during the same years — reportedly through establishment of racially segregated private schools in the South — but they only represent just over 19 per cent of the nonpublic school sector.

THERE ARE 5,271,718 enrolled in nonpublic schools.

A recent report of the National Catholic Educational Association also showed a steady decline in Catholic school pupils from about 5.4 million in 1966 to just over 4.2 million in 1971, also a 17 per cent decline.

The NCEA report also said the "one-a-day" closing of Catholic schools has continued.

THE OFFICE of Education report observed that the drop in nonpublic school enrollment was offset by a 22.5 per cent increase in public school enrollment.

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Catholic-Methodist co-ministry

LONDON — A unique experiment in developing an ecumenical ministry in a working-class district of London will be launched by a Catholic Franciscan friar and a Methodist minister during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in January.

Brother Hugh MacIsaac, a Canadian member of the Society of the Atonement, and the Rev. Peter Coates, Methodist pastor of the Manor church and center, will cooperate in a joint ministry to residents of London's Bermondsey district, in the southeast part of the city.

Catholic and Methodist officials have approved the experimental ministry here. In a joint announcement, they said:

"THE WORK OF the joint ministry will be community service and ministry to all, of any or no church, in the neighborhood, and the development and encouragement of ecumenical encounters and activity in southeast London.

"It is hoped that worship at Manor will also reflect the ecumenical nature of the ministry."

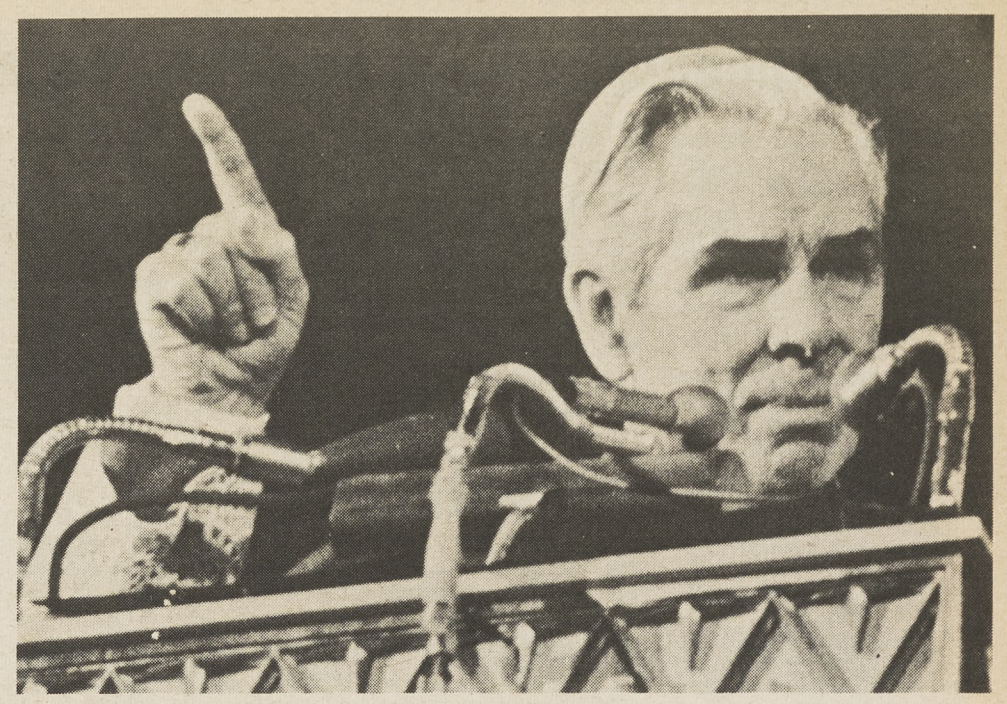
Rev. Coates said he hoped the experimental ministry would prove to be "a major contribution to the ecumenical movement."

HE DESCRIBED its goal as the establishment of "a more Christian community," but added, "about 80 per cent of our work is with people of no church affiliation."

While engaged in the joint ministry, Brother Hugh will live in a small apartment a few doors from the Methodist minister. The Methodist church hopes to raise funds from various trusts to give him a regular wage.

Rev. Coates expressed the hope that the project will be a practical instance of ecumenism in action.

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ONE WAY? — Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen seems to be using the Jesus People "One Way" sign as he criticizes some of today's preaching in addressing the National Congress of the Word of God, Washington, D.C. "People are not listening to us because we are often preaching sociological drivel instead of Christ crucified," he said — RNS photo

Nixon appointee Gen. Haig, family devout Catholics

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr., named by President Nixon to the Army's second highest post over 243 more senior generals, is a devout Catholic with his wife, Patricia, and their three children.

He has a brother who's a priest — Father Frank R. Haig, SJ, president of Wheeling College, West Virginia.

The Haig children are: Alex, 20, at Georgetown University; Brian, 19, at West Point, and Barbara, 16, attending Catholic school in Arlington, Va.

GEN. HAIG'S appointment as Army vice chief of staff does not require Senate confirmation, but his promotion to four-star general does.

The 47-year-old two-star general has often been called Henry Kissinger's "right hand man" as second in command at National Security Affairs.

After his appointment, Kissinger described him as the "most brilliant officer I know" and "nearly irreplaceable."

BORN IN Philadelphia, Gen. Haig attended parochial schools and St. Joseph's Prep. He studied for two years at Notre Dame University before entering West Point in 1944.

He was graduated in 1947, the last class of the Army's three-year wartime program. He served in Japan, Korea and Vietnam, and for a while at West Point before going to the Pentagon.

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a love which went to death and then rose to life to prove itself," he affirmed.

"IF THAT IS the subject (of sermons), the next question is 'how do we become preachers of Christ-crucified?'" he asked rhetorically. The answer, he indicated, is that "preaching requires rehearsal," that is, "personal prayer and Bible study."

"Just try spending one hour a day meditating upon the Scriptures and see how soon you'll become a preacher of God's word," said Archbishop Sheen.

In another address to participants, Father Barnabas Ahern, CP, professor of sacred scripture at the Gregorian University, Rome, discussed the theme "The Faith Experience of the Preacher" and devoted his remarks to a development of faith from Old Testament to New Testament times.

FATHER AHERN described the Gospels as "one faith encounter after another," adding that "people found themselves being drawn to Christ."

Following the opening talks, eight concurrent conferences on preaching — liturgy, the Bible, conversion, priestly ministry, ecumenism, religious education, communications and social development — were held at the Catholic University of America.

Archbishop Timothy Manning of Los Angeles was the principal concelebrant at a "Liturgy of the Most Holy Eucharist" that opened the congress. Bishop John R. Quinn of Oklahoma City-Tulsa, former auxiliary of the San Diego diocese, officiated at the concluding liturgy.

Religious News Service

In Loving Memory

Into Thy hands, O Lord, we commend the spirits of these beloved ones who are gone before us into the realm of Thy eternal happiness and peace. — Amen.

FLYNN, Louise A. Mother of Louise Shea, sister of Virginia Johnstone, Evelyn Lancton and James and George Brado, also four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Requiem Mass, Sept. 2, Our Lady of Grace Church, El Cajon.
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LIZOLA, Paula Reyna. Mother of Laurence, William and Mike Reyna and Rosalie Castro, also six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Requiem Mass, Sept. 5, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.
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SCHELLENBERG, Svend A. Husband of Josephine Schellenberg. Requiem Mass, Sept. 7, St. Vincent de Paul Church.
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SPOTO, Mary C. Mother of Rose Rabasco, Catherine Saporito, Lucy Mastronardi and Frank Spoto, also seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Requiem Mass, Sept. 7, Blessed Sacrament Church.
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TURNER, Edna I. Mother of Mrs. Frank L. Barczewski, Mrs. Daniel V. Kent and Lt. Cmdr. L. H. Turner, Jr., also nine grandchildren. Requiem Mass, Sept. 5, Our Lady of Grace Church, El Cajon.
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LA IGLESIA de hoy es una "Iglesia en moción" caracterizada por muchos diferentes movimientos todos los cuales tienen el mismo objectivo: que la realidad de la presencia de Cristo sea realizada y expresada en nuestro mundo actual.

Entre los movimientos más populares de hoy tenemos el movimiemto Pentecostal, el movimiento litúrgico, el movimiento ecuménico, el movimiento del Cursillo y el movimiento Familiar Cristiano (MFC).

Todos estos movimientos parecen ser actividades que brotaron de la presencia del Espíritu Santo y llevados a cabo por personas tratando de responder a tal presencia y de activarlo en sus diversas manifestaciones.

MIENTRAS QUE todos estos movimientos son interesantes e importantes para la renovación de la Iglesia, el MFC tiene un lugar especial porque busca, a la vez, la renovación de la familia.

En distintas partes del mundo han habido grupos de matrimonios que se preocupan por sus familias y su comunidad y han buscado modos de relizar apostolado familiar.

De los más antiguos de estos grupos son los Equipos de Nuestra Sra. de Francia y el Christian Family Movement (CFM) de Estados Unidos.

AMBOS HAN hecho sentir su influencia más allá de sus fronteras y han sido la inspiración para la mayoría de los demás grupos:

1940: El Abate Cafferel empezó los Equipos de N. Sra. en Paris.

1947: Se inician en Chicajo, Nueva York y South Bend, Ind., los primeros grupos de matrimonios del CFM. Pat y Patty Crowley como promotores.

1948: Por iniciativa del P. Pedro Richards comienzan a reunirse unos matrimonios en Buenos Aires, Argentina, pero no dura mucho este grupo.

1950: Impulsados también por el Padre Richards, surgen en Montevideo, Uruguay, unos grupos y ya para esta fecha se consolida el movimiento en América del Sur.

1955: El movimiento es ya una realidad en séis países de América del Sur gracias a la labor del P. Richards y los matrimonios del Uruguay.

1957: Se celebra el primer Encuentro Panamericano de MFC en Montevideo. Queda organizado el Secretariado para Latino América.

1958: Queda establecido el MFC en México al lograrse la unión de los dos drupos que, aisladamente y bajo otro nombre, realizan apostolado similar.

1966: Queda constituída la Confederación Internacional de MFC.

1968: Se establece con caracter nacional el MFC en España después de lograr unir los esfuerzos de los distintos grupos activos del país.

1969: Bajo los auspicios del se celebra en Notre Dame, Ind. una reunión de personas de habla y cultura hispanas radicadas en los Estados Unidos; queda allí organizado el MFC a nivel nacional.

1972: La Primera Asamblea Nacional se llevó a cabo a principios de julio en el nuevo Centro Cultural México-Americano en San Antonio, Tex.

MFC

MOVIMIENTO FAMILIAR CRISTIANO OFICINA NACIONAL

Asistieron a dicha asamblea las parejas líderes y sus asesores, de las aproximadamente 20 ciudades donde el movimiento está activo.

Los participantes con el Comité Nacional, los consejeros y con los invitados especiales, discutieron los problemas de la familia de hoy y la dirección que el MFC debe tomar en el futuro.

Durante la asamblea, hubo gran interés en el progreso del Encuentro Conyugal, el cual es una actividad de fin de semana patrocinada por las parejas.

EL OBISPO Patricio Flores, que inició el MFC en Houston, Tex., hace varios años, asistió a las pláticas y les dió grandes ánimos, a las parejas, con su trabajo para el crecimiento de una fuerte vida familiar entre los de habla Hispana.

Aunque el MFC no había comenzado formalmente en San Diego todavía, tres representantes asistieron a la asamblea con la esperanza de comenzar el movimiento aquí.

Los representantes de San Diego fueron el Sr. y la Sra. Rodolfo Ramírez de Otay, y el Padre Francisco Riley, OSA, de Villa Nueva.

EL 23 DE SEPT. dará comienzo el movimiento en San Diego, con una Misa especial y una explicación del mismo a las parejas interesadas, en la Parroquia de Nuestra Sra. de Guadalupe en Otay, a las 7:00 p.m.

Cualiquier pareja interesada es bienvenida a participar. Durante este año el MFC espera tener encuentros matrimoniales, así como otras actividades para motivar la vida familiar y el espíritu Cristiano.

PARA MAYOR información favor de llamar a los Sres. Ramírez al 420-5850 o al Padre Riley al 428-4515 o 428-1342.

News in short . . .

RICHMOND, Va. - Former astronaut James Irwin, now devoting full time to Christian witnessing, reports he will travel extensively overseas speaking for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, CSC, Notre Dame University president, invited President Nixon and Sen. George McGovern to make campaign speeches at the school.

VATICAN CITY — A new electronic alarm system has been installed in Vatican museums to protect art treasures from theft or vandalism.

UTRECHT, Holland — Eight Churches in Asia, Africa, Europe and Latin America joined the World Council of Churches bringing total membership to 261.

SAINT TROPEZ — The first ecumenical church in the fashionable French Riviera region was opened for Protestant and Catholic services at this international summer resort.

NEW YORK — The National Catholic Development Conference will present its Good Samaritan Award to Auxiliary Bishop Michael R. Dempsey of Chicago, national director, U.S. bishops' anti-poverty campaign.

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Temas de actualidad

La Olimpiada, el Papa y Cristo

Por el Padre Luis Bernal

LA TELEVISION Italiana inició sus emisiones en color con motivo de la Vigésima Olimpíada Mundial en Munich, y así el Papa desde el retiro de Castelgandolfo ha podido ver en la pantalla la inauguración y otros eventos, con toda la belleza de los matices.

Los cinco anillos entrelazados que en la bandera olímpica representan a otros tantos continentes del mundo reunidos, son todo un mensaje de comprensión humana universal.

Paulo VI ha tomado este mensaje y lo ha llevado al nivel del cariño Cristiano, que debe unir a todos los pueblos de la tierra en una verdadera hermandad.

LA CONVIVENCIA tranquila, amigable, cálida y dinámica entre deportistas y organizadores de todos los países, de todas las razas y lenguas; su camaradería llena de entendimiento mutuo y de bondad humana; la nobleza gentil con que se abrazan entre sí vencedores y vencidos después de cada lid.

Y tántos otros gestos valientes y bellos que pasan ignorados, en los entretelones de la Olimpíada, están gritándole a ese otro mundo perverso de los intereses políticos, comerciales, pecuniarios, opresores y corruptores, que sí es posible la paz, el amor, la alegria de la amistad, y la fraternidad entre los hombres cuando se deja a un lado el egoismo y la ambición de poderío.

Porque al menos los muchachos y muchachas que compiten en los juegos mundiales, no van allí porque pretendan conseguir millones en dinero ni el dominio de las naciones, ni el timón del comercio y de la industria.

TAL VEZ OTROS, los de arriba, los "usen" con estos fines de aumentar influencias. Pero los atletas concurren solo porque quieren "ser" algo más y sentir que han alcanzado una mayor perfección. Esta es una de las pocas óptimas metas humanas: "ser más," mientras una de las más bajas es "tener más."

Todo ser humano, espíritu encarnado en un cuerpo, está llamado a la lucha por la superación y al ascenso en perfeccionamiento cada día mayor de sus facultades.

Y en el deporte se cumple a fondo no solo el desarrollo del cuerpo, sino la disciplina de la voluntad, el control de los apetitos, la higiene de los hábitos y la organización de las ideas para conducir todas las energías humanas hacia un fin.

A UNOS JUEGOS mundiales no va el atleta solo para competir y tirunfar, sino para relacionarse con muchos, para conocer, estimar y amar a muchos: para apreciar los valores ajenos, del espíritu y del cuerpo; para impregnarse de múltiples culturas, comparar lo extranjero con lo propio y enriquecerse con la belleza, la unidad y la verdad que brillan cuando los hombres "se hacen hombres," es decir, cuando se hacen capaces de amor.

Qué distinto es el espectáculo humano del amor y de la paz en una Olimpíada, en comparación del espectáculo irracional y bestial de odio y muerte en una guerra.

Es lógico pues que "el deporte sea un paso hacia la religión," según la frase de Paulo VI, y es apenas natural que campeones mundiales como el ciclista belga Eddy Marckx declaren:

"PARA MI CRISTO está continuamente presente en mi vida. Creo profundamente en él: en su humanidad y en su divinidad."

Cómo alienta pensar y recordar que Cristo, el modelo según el cual hemos de resucitar, era un atleta, un gigante de más de seis pies de altura, de acuerdo con la huella de sangre que dejó en el sudario de su tumba; que hablaba sin micrófono a muchedumbres de más de cinco mil oyentes y en pleno camp abierto; que recorría a pie los largos caminos de su apostolado, y no tenía dónde dormir ni cena preparada en parte alguna.

FUE UN HOMBRE fuerte y disciplinado en el cuerpo y en el alma, que puso la perfección de su humanidad al servicio de la obra divina liberadora.

Vale la pena el esfuerzo del atleta por triunfar en el gimnasio, en las regatas, en el hipódromo, en la piscina...Pero vale infinitamente más el esfuerzo del "hombre" por amar, por relacionarse con muchos y darles el tesoro de la amistad.

Vale la pena ir por el mundo compitiendo en ajedrés o en balón-cesto, en lo que sea, si esto sirve para sembrar entre los hombres el entendimiento, la alegría y la paz.

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Christianity not census list-Pope

In CASTELGANDOLFO, Pope Paul said Christians are "individual persons who are free, responsible and capable of holding their own dialogues with God."

"Christianity is not just a census list organized along technical lines," he stressed. "It is rather a living and conscious people made up of individual, living persons."

Bishop McNulty dies in Newark

In NEWARK, N.J., a funeral Mass was concelebrated for Bishop James A. McNulty of Buffalo, N.Y., who died Sept. 4 while visiting Montclair, N.J. He was 72.

The bishop had gone to visit a gravely ill friend, James McMahon, former **Hudson Dispatch** publisher, and suffered a massive stroke July 10, a day before McMahon died.

Italy debating Latin in school

In ROME, a government proposal to make Latin mandatory in secondary schools has triggered a national debate with Christian Democrats in favor and Socialists and left-wing circles against.

Socialist Sen. Tristano Codignola charged the proposal was a "cultural and educational absurdity" and would "lead us into the hands of an all-embracing clericalism and a neo-Fascist restoration."

Berrigan case dropped by U.S.

In HARRISBURG, Pa., conspiracy charges against Father Philip Berrigan, SSJ, Sister Elizabeth McAlister and six other defendants were dropped by the federal government.

They were accused of conspiring to kidnap presidential aide Henry Kissinger, bomb government property in Washington and raid draft boards. Their first trial ended in April with a jury deadlocked 10-2 for acquittal.

But Father Berrigan and Sister McAlister were convicted of smuggling letters in and out of federal prison.

Jewish group OKs tax credit

In WASHINGTON, D.C., the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America supported a bill before the House Ways and Means Committee to allow tax credits to parents of nonpublic school children.

"To the extent that methods, such as tuition grants, educational vouchers or tax credits may be found within the recent supreme court ruling to permit government aid for secular education in religious-sponsored schools, we should welcome it," the union said.

Poland permits cardinal visit

In PHILADELPHIA, Cardinal John Krol received a visa to visit Poland for the October 14 special ceremonies at the former Nazi death camp at Auschwitz.

The observance marks the end of the beatification year for Blessed Maximillan Kolbe, OFM Conv, who died at the camp in 1941 after offering to take the place of a condemned man.

Missions good to Muslim Uganda

In GULU, Uganda, President Idi Amin, a Muslim, said Christian missionaries are "very important" to the country because of their educational facilities and religious teachings.

He lauded missionaries for running "good hospitals and inculcating good principles in the minds of Ugandans." About half of Uganda's 9.6 million people are Christians, with 43 per cent of them Catholics.



SOLE SURVIVOR—A Buddha statue remains undamaged in temple destroyed during increased warfare in the Cambodian town of Kompong Trabek.

Notre Dame goes coed finally

In NOTRE DAME, Ind., the first undergraduate women began classes at Notre Dame University, breaking a 130-year tradition at the former all-men school.

Girls from nearby St. Mary's College, however, have been in Notre Dame classes since a 1965 student exchange program. Notre Dame's Graduate School has long been open to women.

Priest marries one day after

In LOS ANGELES, a suspended priest from Minnesota was married to a former nun the day after his diocesan bishop withdrew his priestly faculties.

John Czaplewski, 34, married Louise Tacheny, 32, at a Mass in connection with a meeting of the Society of Priests for a Free Ministry, a group comprising mostly married or suspended priests.

TV-radio spots fight poverty

In NEW YORK, the National Council of Churches' broadcasting and film commission is distributing eight TV and radio spot announcements for the U.S. Catholic bishops' anti-poverty collection Nov. 19.

The third annual Campaign for Human Development offering in Catholic churches will fund grants for self-help projects. Nearly $16 million was collected in the last two drives and more than 300 grants made.

May God forbid similar episode

In CASTELGANDOLFO, Pope Paul condemned the "shameful massacre" of the 11 Israeli Olympic athletes by Arab terrorists and called for compassion to avoid a bloody retaliation.

"Hatred leads to hatred," he warned. "Blood calls out for blood, vengeance for vengeance. May God forbid that other similar episodes should occur."

Priest deprived of his faculties

In PHILADELPHIA, Father Thomas Fediwa, SDS, graduate student at Temple University, was deprived of his priestly faculties for unorthodox liturgical practices.

He admitted he has been active in unauthorized liturgical innovations such as using works of modern writers in Mass readings and letting communicants pick the host from a basket passed among themselves.

Bishop cautions on hair, beards

In LAFAYETTE, La., Bishop Maurice Schexnayder reminded priests to wear clerical dress when "on duty" and to "abstain from long hair and mustaches."

"No one in this diocese has a dispensation" from regulations banning beards, he said, adding that priests disregarding this and other rules "are requested to do away with the abuse."

19 Churches in common baptism

In LONDON, 19 major Christian denominations agreed to recognize a common baptismal certificate affirming baptism with water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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Spoken by TV actor Joseph Campanella, the thoughts reflect the Bible's concern for man's relationship with God and neighbor.

Production and distribution of the record was handled for the diocese by Paulist Communications Services, Pacific Palisades, Calif.



FOURTH DEGREE — Karl Bransztet, member of Precious Blood parish, Chula Vista, will be installed faithful navigator of the Balboa General Assembly — Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Sept. 16 at El Cortez Hotel. The dinner will mark the assembly's 50th anniversary. Col. Francis J. Andrews, U.S. Army (ret.), will speak.

Parishes join colleges for adult classes

Parishes are again cooperating this year with the San Diego Community Colleges in bilingual adult education classes in English, driver training, and clothing.

Sessions are held in schools at Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Anne, St. Jude, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, St. Rita, Our Lady of Angels, Immaculate Conception and Mary, Star of the Sea.

The program is coordinated by Dr. Jose Saldivar of the community colleges' Bilingual Adult Office, 3175 National Ave., San Diego. Details available from each parish or from Dr. Saldivar, 235-6197.

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Christ the King 'founder'

She started a club that became a parish

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SHE WALKED with a quick step into the Diocesan Office and was shown in to Bishop Leo T. Maher. There was no hint that Mrs. Oliver Picou was born 80 years ago in New Orleans.

As sprightly as the vigorous church worker she has always been, she told the bishop how she started the Little Flower club in Southeast San Diego back in 1935. And that's how the parish of Christ the King began, founded in 1938.

Father James Gallas, SJ, the present pastor, stood by, smiling, as his prize parishioner was presented with the bishop's medal for distinguished service to the Church.

MRS. PICOU stood steadfastly with the bishop for pictures to add to her collection of historic moments in a long career as a church worker.

She showed the bishop several letters from San Diego's first Ordinary, Bishop Charles F. Buddy.

Then there were baptismal certificates, clippings and other mementoes carried in a Walker Scott box to the bishop's desk — treasures of more than three-score years of service to God.



YEARS OF SERVICE — Bishop Leo T. Maher presents his award for distinguished service to Mrs. Oliver Picou, 80-year-old worker and parishioner of Christ the King church, San Diego. Presentation on Tuesday was witnessed by pastor Father James Gallas, SJ, right. Mrs. Picou began group which became nucleus of the parish in 1935. — SC photo

"WONDERFUL, wonderful," said the bishop, seeing one of his first official visitors since his recent surgery. "We are very proud of you and very thankful for all the good work you have done."

Her work included training the first communion class ever in the diocese "of those who look like me," she said with a smile.

It includes years of toil for the annual Mardi Gras festival of the parish in the heart of black San Diego.

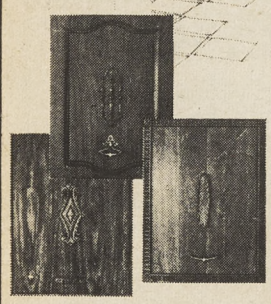
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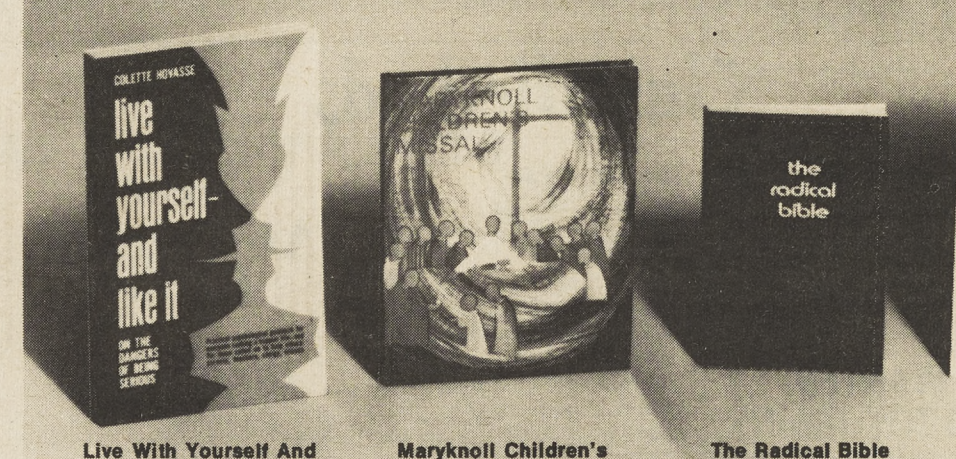
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